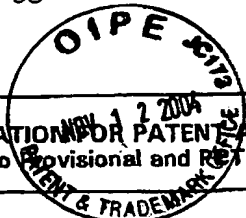


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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

COMPOSITION ET COMPOSE A BASE DE SEL(S) DE METAUX ET D'ACIDE PRESENTANT UN GROUPESULFONYLE PORTE PAR UN CARBONE PERHALOGENE ET LEUR UTILISATION COMME ACIDE DE LEWIS

the specification of which (check only one item below):

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

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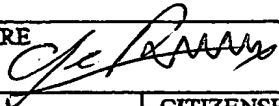

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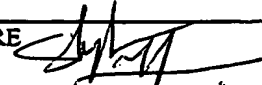
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